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Aid in JFK Plot Probe

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — The attorney is keeping details of an investigation he is making of the Kennedy assassination, calling for federal intervention to slow him down.

Investigators can prove a conspiracy in New Orleans led to the death of President John F. Kennedy, spurred a suggestion he give his facts to the U.S. attorney general who could pass it on to President Johnson.

"I am running this investigation, not the President, not the attorney general," said Garrison.

"I'M IN CHARGE of the operation and we've made a lot of progress working this way. So I don't propose to make any changes that might result in a slowdown and make us less effective."

Asked what the Federal Bureau of Investigation is doing about Garrison's probe, an FBI spokesman said, "The only thing I can say regarding any questions about that is, 'no comment.'"

After New Orleans newspapers broke the story of his investigation on Friday, Garrison said, "Irresponsible release of so many details" would delay the arrests he said would be forthcoming.

THE RELEASE of details and names, he said, "has now created a problem for us in finding witnesses and getting cooperation from other witnesses and in at least one case has endangered the life of a witness — a possible witness — so that whatever timetable we might have had before is somewhat extended now."

Garrison's statement that an assassination plot was concocted in New Orleans, that he found and arrested the conspirators and that he will obtain convictions caused widespread comment. What does he know at this point?

Investigating the role of the New Orleans in the assassination of President Kennedy and we have made some progress — I think substantial progress. At least we were making progress until the news media revealed a number of details.

"We were keeping it confidential and were hoping to keep it confidential until the time came to make some arrests."

The district attorney said to go into the question of whether only Lee Harvey Oswald was involved in the assassination of Kennedy in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963.

"I'd rather not comment that," Garrison said.

Attorney Doubts Oswald-Ruby Meeting Report

Dallas lawyer Phil Burleson, one of Lee Ruby's attorneys at his trial for murder, said Harvey Oswald, said Monday he doubts the report of a New Orleans meeting between Oswald and Ruby before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

"I don't think there's anything to it," said Burleson.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade, Ruby's prosecutor, was not available for comment Monday. His chief prosecutor, Bill Alexander, indicated the district attorney's office placed little credence in allegations made by Orleans Parish Dist. Atty. Garrison.

Garrison said over the weekend that a plot to kill Kennedy was hatched in New Orleans and that Oswald and Ruby were in that city at the same time.

Garrison said his office

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